

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

MARCH 4th, 1921.

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Mr. F. Tucker, of the Merchant Shipbuilding Corp., Chester, Pa., survey the Steel Screw Steamer, "MOUNT CARROLL" of New York, to ascertain the nature and extent of the damage stated to have been sustained on the 10th of January, 1921,

FIRST. Through the bracing of the rudder carrying away, while the vessel was being launched.

SECOND. Through the launching ways fouling the Bilge Keels.

Upon examination whilst the vessel was lying at the Builders' wharf and also in the U. S. Navy Yard Dry Dock, League Island, on the 12th of January, 1921, and subsequent dates, the Undersigned,

FOUND.                      FIRST DAMAGE.

Rudder stock above coupling broken.

The top pintle on Main piece of rudder bent.

The rudder post of stern frame slightly set over to starboard.

Several shell rivets in after peak started.

RECOMMENDED.

The rudder stock to be renewed.

This pintle to be renewed

All the gudgeons to be bored and relined with wood, and the deck cas' to be aligned.

These rivets to be renewed and the caulking of BEAMS and butts in way of SAME TO be overhauled and MADE GOOD.

S. S. "MOUNT CARROLL".

FOUND.

After length of bilge keel on the port side slightly buckled.

Forward length of bilge keel on the starboard side slightly buckled.

SECOND DAMAGE.

RECOMMENDED.

This length of bilge keel to be faired in place.

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All fittings removed or displaced to effect the above recommended repairs, to be replaced or renewed as found necessary, and all new and disturbed work to be coated as before.

The foregoing recommendations were made with a view to restore the vessel to as good and efficient condition as she was in prior to the alleged casualty.

FEE \$ 50.

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